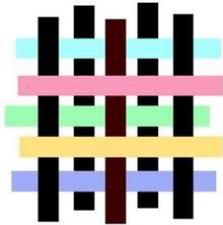




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[The National Language Service Corps \(NLSC\) connects with Interpol](#)

The NLSC establishes an Interagency Agreement (IA) with the Department of Justice, INTERPOL-U.S. National Central Bureau

(Interpol Washington). The IA allows the NLSC to provide language services to Interpol Washington, and initiates a specific activation request for three Spanish speaking and one French speaking member to serve in the Washington, DC area for six months. An IA is required for the NLSC to serve any non-DOD organization. This agreement paves the way for all organizations throughout the federal government to utilizing the NLSC.

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[U.S. Army Veteran, Former U.S. Senator Chuck Hagel, to Speak at FAOA Policy Luncheon](#)

(Foreign Area Officer Association)

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[Maj. Gen. Bayer says DLIFLC has world class results](#)

*(DLIFLC)...*Natela Cutter

The director of Strategy Plans and Policy for the Deputy Chief of Staff of the Army, G-3/5/7, Maj. Gen. Peter Bayer, said that the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center has "world class results" in teaching servicemembers foreign language and culture and has an "incredible reputation," for excellence.

[The Loyalty of Noncitizen Troops](#)

*Kitsap (WA) Sun...*Tom Philpott

The armed forces have enlisted nearly 70,000 noncitizens since the attacks of 9/11 and, as a group, their washout rate is much lower than that of American citizens who enlist, according to CNA, a think tank that studied attrition data gathered by the Defense Manpower Data Center. Given their lower attrition rate, which saves on recruiting and training costs, and the diversity of language and cultural skills that noncitizens have, CNA recommends that the services develop strategies to recruit more noncitizens, particularly as the U.S. economy improves, recruiting gets more difficult and demand stays high for foreign language skills.



[Face of Defense: Marine Linguists Aid Afghan Youth](#)

*(Defense.gov)...*Cpl. Meredith Brown

Lance Cpls. Lauren Kohls and Sarah Lowe, Pashto linguists assigned to 2nd Radio Battalion in Task Force Belleau Wood, teamed up during their deployment and founded the nonprofit corporation Hayla

International. Hayla, a Pashto word for “hope,” is an endeavor designed to provide alternative education solutions for Afghan youth.

National Guard State Partnership Program emphasizes building relationships

(NationalGuard.mil)...Sgt. 1st Class Tyrone C. Marshall Jr.

A small, but innovative, program demonstrates the U.S. military's "very agile and flexible" capabilities in working with partners, the vice chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff said recently. "It's a very high-leverage program where individual states will partner with another nation in Europe or Africa or Asia," Winnefeld said.

DOMESTIC

Are We Really Monolingual?

(New York Times)...Michael Erard

AMERICANS are often told that in today's globalized world, we are at a competitive disadvantage because of our lazy monolingualism. "For too long, Americans have relied on other countries to speak our language," Secretary of Education Arne Duncan said at the Foreign Language Summit in 2010. "But we won't be able to do that in the increasingly complex and interconnected world."

Investors Backed by Publishing Giant Team Up With Calif. University to Start a Bilingual College

(Chronicle of Higher Education)...Goldie Blumenstyk

A \$100-million investment fund backed by the German publishing and media giant Bertelsmann and the endowment for two Texas public university systems is jumping into higher education with two ventures aimed key markets. One is a new bilingual college aimed at Hispanic students, in partnership with an affiliate of Chapman University.

INTERNATIONAL

Feds go private with language training

(Canada.com)...Kathryn May

The federal government is getting out of the

business of providing language training to its employees, throwing 190 teachers and instructors across Canada out of work. The move — which started with downsizing in the 1990s, and intensified after a 2006 Treasury Board decision — marks the first time in decades that the government won't be directly offering French and English training to public servants to meet the language requirements of their jobs.

Tibet to launch more bilingual TV, radio programs

(China Daily)

"We're working to enrich the Tibetan people's cultural life by providing quality TV programs and films," he said. "But there's still a huge gap between what people demand and what we can offer at this stage." This year, Zhang said his bureau will improve radio and TV coverage in remote areas and at monasteries, launch more bilingual TV and radio programs and translate more Chinese and foreign films for the Tibetan people. "We'll encourage producers to shoot more original Tibetan films and TV programs to cater to the locals' demand, and help preserve the unique language and culture."

